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1. Amerigo TERENZI, son of Giuseppe and of the late Olimpia Gori, born in Rome on 17 April 1909; journalist; living in Rome at 33 via Giovanni Severano, Apt. 1, is administrative director of the Rome edition of L'Unita, director of L'Unita publishing firm, member of the Directive Council of the association, "Amici de L'Unita", and director of the bulletin, Viva L'Unita.
2. He is married to Elda BOPDA, daughter of the late Ugo, born in Rome on 28 February 1915; housewife; and has three children, Stefania Maria, 15 years; Flaminio, 12 years; and Claudio, 12 years.
3. He was a member of the dissolved P.N.F. (Fascist Party) from October 1932 and took part in the Fascist Militia (M.V.S.N.) in which he attained the grade of squad chief.
4. In the years 1935-36, he participated in the Italo-Ethiopian War as a "Camicia nera volontaria" (Black Shirt volunteer).
5. Repatriated, he was employed by the former Ministry of Corporations and assigned to the Cassa Nazionale di Previdenza dello Spettacolo in which he was eventually named director. Under the fascist regime he realized notable gains in business dealings in which he was favored by the hierarchy of that time among whom his brother Ferdinando (born in Rome on 30 June 1907, living at 41 via Bruxelles, who is at the present time being kept under surveillance in view of the fact that he held important political and syndical positions under the Fascist regime).
6. Among other things, Subject was a stockholder in a number of companies, among which the ZEUSS Film in which, in 1939, he was director and auditor.
7. After 8 September 1943 he made contact with anti-fascists and took part in the Communist partisan movement in which he gave meritorious service, together with Pietro INGRAO, to whom, it appears, he is tied by bonds of friendship as well as blood. Subject collaborated in the clandestine publication of L'Unita.
8. Notwithstanding the intense activity which TERENZI carries out in favor of the PCI, because of his past and his dedication to business deals (which he has not abandoned even since embracing Marxist doctrine), he is to be considered an opportunist.

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